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W A L E S.

GWYNEDDIGION SOCIETY.—The annual festival of this Society took place on Monday the 11th of last month, and was distinguished by the same traits of patriotic feeling, and convivial hilarity, that have marked the former anniversaries of the Gwyneddigion. Several *pennillion* were, according to custom, sung to the inspiring sound of the harp; and a variety of toasts, connected with the national objects of the Society, were given in the course of the evening*. Mr. Parry, editor of the “Welsh Melodies,” was in the chair on the occasion, in the unavoidable absence of the President, Mr. Owen Pughe: and it is scarcely necessary to add, that nothing was omitted in the arrangements of the day, that might contribute to the harmony, whether social or musical, of this laudable meeting.

The Rev. J. Jenkins of Kerry, the Rev. Walter Davies of Manafon, the Rev. W. J. Rees of Cascob, the Rev. D. Richards of Llansilin, the Rev. T. Richards of Berriew, and the Rev. A. B. Clough of Jesus College, Oxford, have recently been elected Honorary Members of this Society, as an acknowledgement of their polite attention, as members of the Committee of the Cymmrodorion in Powys, to such of the members of the Gwyneddigion Society as were present at the late *Eisteddfod* at Wrexham.

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CHURCH UNION SOCIETY IN THE DIOCESE OF ST. DAVID'S.—The premium of Fifty Pounds, offered by this institution for the best Essay on “The necessity of a Church establishment in a Christian country, for the preservation of Christianity among people of all ranks and denominations, and on the means of exciting and maintaining amongst its members a spirit of devotion together with zeal for the honour, stability, and influence of the established church,” has been adjudged to the Rev. S. C. Wilks. The laudable objects of

* The Editor has been given to understand, that, amongst the number of toasts, his humble exertions were not forgotten. He hopes, therefore, he may be allowed to seize this public opportunity of expressing his acknowledgement of the favour, which it has been his zealous aim, with whatever success, in some degree to deserve.

this Society, combining, as they do, the best interests of religion with a due reverence for our church establishment, cannot be too generally or too greatly admired. * *

MISCELLANEOUS LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.—Nothing of any importance has, for some time, occurred in the Principality, that could properly be noticed under this head, under which it is still meant, as originally purposed, to record such events only, as may possess something beyond a mere ephemeral interest*. That this rule has occasionally been transgressed is, perhaps, to be regretted; since it never formed any part of the design of this work, in its present limited size, to encroach upon the province of the newspapers, connected with Wales, any farther than to preserve a remembrance of the really important occurrences of the times, and especially of such, as might have any reference to the cultivation or promotion of Welsh literature. Some notice, however, may be deemed necessary of those religious or political events, that occasionally seem to invite the public attention; and it has always been endeavoured to make such a selection of these, as might be most generally interesting. But on the present occasion no occurrences of this nature offer themselves, if we except the customary meetings of the Bible Associations, and the recent manifestation of public opinion respecting the Queen. The latter subject, as might be expected, has had a popular influence even in Wales, yet by no means to the same extent as in other parts of the kingdom. Indeed, the “friends of the Queen,” as they are called, seem to have been almost entirely confined to the southern part of the Principality, where the abandonment of the proceedings against her Majesty has been celebrated, apparently, with much enthusiasm. A few addresses have also been presented to the Queen from the same quarter. The political feeling of North Wales, however, in this respect, appears to have been different; and, indeed, a better spirit seems now to pervade the whole principality. Several addresses to his Majesty, the result, it may be hoped, of that genuine loyalty, which has ever characterised Welshmen, have at length been voted: and it is due to the county of Anglesey to observe, that it may claim the honour of having first set the example, at least to Wales, if not to the whole kingdom, of thus rallying, in the hour of emergency, around the constitution and the throne. * *

* See the Introduction to the CAMBRO-BRITON, vol. I., p. 4.—ED.